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TO : Chief of Logistics

DATE: 30 December 1953

FROM : Chief, Procurement Division

SUBJECT: Weekly Activity Report

1. GENERAL

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a. Request for Price Increase, Contract No. PSC-148-UNV,
 (continued item): The Contractor on 18 December 1953 requested that our requirements for cost data in support of his claim be relaxed insofar as it pertains to items other than air test and additional inspection costs. The Contractor's request was denied and he was instructed to submit all data supporting his claim to the Contracting Officer in accordance with agreement between the Contractor and the Agency on 18 December 1953.

2. ITEMS OF INTEREST

a. Re-establishment of Foreign Procurement (continued item):

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(1) [REDACTED] Ammunition: No change. 25X1A11b

(2) 1953 Shopping List: [REDACTED] Arms and Accessories:

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(a) [REDACTED] Loaders (continued item): No change.

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(b) Pistols from [REDACTED] (continued item): No change.

b. Contracts Covered by FY 52 Vouchered Funds (continued item):
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d. Contract XG-903 with [REDACTED] (continued item): No change.

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e. Proposed Contract with [REDACTED] Company (continued item): No change (The security clearance of legal counsel is still being awaited).

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f. Rental of IBM Electronic Searching Selector (continued item): Negotiations with IBM for the subject equipment were conducted in the office of Mr. [REDACTED] O&M Examiner on 23 December~~SECRET~~

1953. IBM was furnished a draft of the proposed letter of intent for review and comment and was requested to submit cost data to support the rental rate of \$1,400.00 per month to be charged under the definitive contract.

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g. Proposed Contract with [REDACTED] (continued item): Consideration has been given as to the basis for a master type contract with [REDACTED]. A decision has been reached as to the basis of the final offer to be made to the Contractor and it is posed to hold a meeting on 30 December 1953 with the Contractor in an attempt to bring this matter to a conclusion.

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h. [REDACTED] (continued item): No change.

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i. Thrust Bearing and Shaft (completed item): A requisition was received from the FE Division for the thrust bearing and shaft. An order was placed with a Marine Broker with a promised delivery date in time to meet the operational deadline. Arrangements will be made with the Transportation Division [REDACTED] to the point of destination. This item will be dropped from future reports unless future developments dictate otherwise.

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j. [REDACTED] Contract [REDACTED] (continued item): Inspecting and testing [REDACTED] at Contractors plant. Also expediting remaining scheduled delivery of [REDACTED] units to be made before 18 January 1954.

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k. Contracts XG-479 and XG-567 with [REDACTED] (continued item): Final settlement documents prepared by Administration and Inspection Branch to be sent to Contractor for signature.

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l. Contracts PSC-175-UNV and XG-541, [REDACTED] (continued item): No change.

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m. Contract XG-530 with [REDACTED] (Continued item): No change.

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n. Contractor Inspector (new item): On 28 December 1953, 6:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., in cooperation with GSA Fire Marshall, CIA General Services and the Reproduction Division tested and inspected for acceptance the fire alarm system installed under contract with [REDACTED] in the [REDACTED] Virginia building. Report now being prepared.

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It is expected that the dock-workers situation in New York will clarify during the first week in January 1954. No further reports will be submitted on this subject unless a serious delay develops.

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p. [REDACTED] Arms Procured (new and completed item): Complete lists were submitted to Supply Division, by individual shipments, of all [REDACTED] arms, ammunition and equipment procured in Europe in 1951 before Supply Division assumed receiving and storing functions. These lists include information as to costs and condition in which bought. Separate lists were also furnished on outgoing shipments of this equipment to the field. These lists should assist in determining proper maintenance and issue functions.

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the Agency. Following coordination with pertinent area divisions, the C & R Staff has determined a need for only 6 of these loaders. Three loaders are on hand at [REDACTED] now, and because of the excessive manufacturing cost inherent in small quantities, no steps are taken, in concurrence with the C & R Staff, to procure the small balance of three loaders at this time.

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3. PROJECTS

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[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] nothing of special interest has occurred during the past week; therefore, this item is being closed from the report.

b. Pool of Cleared Contractors (continued item): No change.

4. SPECIAL PROBLEMS

a. Cargo Parachutes (continued item): The Contractor has advised, after additional study of the drawings of this unit, that the P-82 parachute pack was attached to and remained with the static line rather than being attached to the load the way the later series of cargo parachutes were designed. The intended advantage of this feature was to attempt to reduce the number of items recipients of air drops would have to dispose of.

It has been determined by the Contractor in his additional study that there was a possible hazard in the P-82 series in the entire pack assembly rotating while the lines were extending and the parachute has not yet been discharged from the pack, so that an excessive number of twists might be created in the suspension lines. This would, of course, materially delay the opening of the

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canopy.

In view of the above, the Contractor has agreed to supply later model packs, at no additional cost to the Agency, to be used to replace the P-82 packs. The offer of the Contractor will be accepted providing the new packs will eliminate the previous difficulties. The Contractor has been requested to supply [REDACTED] new packs and these will be forwarded to [REDACTED] Station for test purposes.

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A cable has been dispatched to the [REDACTED] Station advising that [REDACTED] new packs will be forwarded to them for repacking [REDACTED] parachutes for drop tests. The results of these tests will determine if the additional packs will be accepted from the Contractor. In addition, the [REDACTED] Station has been requested to advise, in the event the tests are successful, the total number of new packs required. Only [REDACTED] parachutes of the P-82 series have been procured, and it is the opinion of Headquarters that a portion of these have been expended.

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c. GSA Working Fund (completed item): This Division was advised by LO/Admin Staff on 22 December that additional moneys were transferred to GSA. Since the compiled report submitted to the LO/Admin Staff contained all pertinent information appertaining to the GSA working fund, it is assumed the Staff will resolve and report this matter when completed. This Division is placing orders with GSA for the items required by the Supply Division stock replenishment program.

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5. MAJOR OBJECTIVES

a. Objectives for Calendar Year 1953 (continued item):

- (1) Establish pool of potential sources of supply and their financial and productives reliability 50%
- (2) Complete indoctrination of the requisitioning activity.
 - (a) Secure accurate specifications, classification and degree of sterility. 25%
 - (b) Establish realistic delivery dates. 25%

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(3) Establish and implement the procurement portion of a world-wide logistical system.

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| (a) Agency Regulations | 80% |
| (b) Procurement Division Procedural Manual | 15% |

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